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SUBJECT: OUTLINE OF REPORT OF EXPERT WORKING GROUP ON THE SOVIET UNION AND EASTERN EUROPE

1. POLADS CHAIRMAN HAS CIRCULATED THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTED OUTLINE FOR THE REPORT ON THE SITUATION IN THE SOVIET UNION AND EASTERN EUROPE THAT EXPERTS WILL PREPARE AT THEIR MAY 13-17 MEETING AT NATO. THE OUTLINE CONTAINS SUGGESTED MAIN HEADINGS FOR THE REPORT. CHAIRMAN ASKS THAT POINTS LISTED BE DEALT WITH IN NATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS SUBMITTED IN ADVANCE. CHAIRMAN REQUESTS THAT NATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS REACH NATO/IS BY APRIL 29. TO MEET APRIL 29 DEADLINE, PLEASE POUCH REPORT TO USNATO NO LATER THAN APRIL 15.

2. BEGIN TEXT OF OUTLINE:

SUGGESTED OUTLINE FOR THE REPORT BY THE EXPERT WORKING GROUP ON THE SOVIET UNION AND EASTERN EUROPE

I. SOVIET INTERNAL POLICY

A. INTERNAL PROBLEMS

- DIFFERENCES OF VIEWS WITHIN THE LEADERSHIP REGARDING THE PROSPECTS OPENED UP BY THE POLICY OF DETENTE

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- CAMPAIGN AGAINST DISSIDENTS AND ITS REPERCUSSIONS

- NATIONALIST UNREST AND TRENDS TOWARDS EMIGRATION

B. ECONOMIC PROBLEMS

II. SOVIET EXTERNAL POLICY

A. EAST/WEST RELATIONS

- SOVIET ATTITUDE IN THE CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS (CSCE-MBFR)
- THE USSR CAUGHT BETWEEN TWO CONFLICTING REQUIREMENTS:
THE POLICY OF DETENTE AND ITS ANXIETY CONCERN TO GUARD
AGAINST ANY IDEOLOGICAL CONTAMINATION FROM THE WEST
- THE SOVIET POLICY OF DETENTE AS AN INSTRUMENT FOR
WORLD DOMINATION
- LIMITATIONS AFFECTING JOINT EFFORTS BY THE
USSR AND THE UNITED STATES
- RELATIONS BETWEEN THE USSR AND THE COUNTRIES
OF WESTERN EUROPE
- ATTITUDE OF THE EASTERN COUNTRIES TO THE
OBSTACLES CONFRONTING EUROPEAN UNIFICATION

B. RELATIONS BETWEEN THE USSR AND EASTERN EUROPE:

- FREEDOM OF MANOEUVRE OF EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES
IN THE CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS
- FUTURE PROSPECTS FOR THE WARSAW PACT IN THE
LIGHT OF THE 1974 DEADLINE AND IN THE CONTEXT
OF THE POLICY OF DETENTE
- IDEOLOGICAL CO-OPERATION AND INTER-PARTY RELATIONS.
PROSPECTS OF A WORLD CONFERENCE OF COMMUNIST PARTIES

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- THE USSR AND THE ENERGY SUPPLIES OF EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES

C. SOVIET POLICY IN THE MIDDLE EAST

- ATTITUDE OF THE USSR TO UNITED STATES DIPLOMATIC
INITIATIVES IN THE MIDDLE EAST
- SOVIET THRUST TOWARDS THE PERSIAN GULF AND INDIAN OCEAN

D. SOVIET POLICY IN ASIA

- SINO-SOVIET RELATIONS
- SOVIET PROPOSAL FOR A COLLECTIVE SECURITY SYSTEM IN ASIA

- SOVIET POLICY TOWARDS THE COUNTRIES OF INDO-CHINA

- SOVIET STRATEGY IN THE INDIAN SUB-CONTINENT
(MR. BREZHNEV'S VISIT TO DELHI)

- PROSPECTS OF A RAPPROACHMENT WITH JAPAN

III. THE SITUATION IN EASTERN EUROPE

A. DEVELOPMENTS IN THE SITUATION IN THE GDR. CONDITIONS
FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGREEMENTS ON BERLIN
AND THE BASIC TREATY BETWEEN THE TWO GERMAN STATES.

B. THE IDEOLOGICAL OFFENSIVE IN POLAND HERALDS THE END
OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AS AN ABSOLUTE PRIORITY.
RELATIONS BETWEEN POLAND AND THE HOLY SEE.

C. YUGOSLAVIA: REGAINING OF CONTROL BY THE COMMUNIST
LEAGUE, THE TENTH CONGRESS OF WHICH IS TO BE HELD AT
THE END OF MAY. ROLE OF THE ARMY, THE ONLY UNITARIAN
FORCE ALONG WITH THE PARTY. FUTURE OF SELF-MANAGEMENT.

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